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**Subject:** Upcoming IB: City speaks out against racism during COVID-19 pandemic

Dear Mayor and Council,

Many of you have expressed concern about the increasing escalation of anti-Asian racism, violence, graffiti and other acts of ignorance and hate in our community, exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. The City will be releasing a public statement against these acts, and all forms of racism and discrimination in general, on Friday which is also the first day of Asian Heritage Month both nationally and in our city. We will also be communicating with our staff about the importance of naming and calling out racism. I know you all join me in decrying this behaviour in our community and in supporting the diversity of our city that makes Vancouver such a special place to live and work.

Best,  
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